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Applicants:	Doron CHOSNEK et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	6307
Serial No.:	10/037,508	§	Group Art Unit:	2151
Filed:	01/04/2002	§	Examiner:	Nigh V. Tran
For:	Method And Apparatus	§	Docket No.:	200302142-1
	For Utilizing A	§		
	Management Port To	§		
	Provide System	§		
	Management	§		

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Date: February 1, 2006

Sir:

In response to the final Office action of November 28, 2005, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.